

**ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME**  
**DIVISION OF COMMERCIAL FISHERIES**  
**NEWS RELEASE**



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**UPPER COOK INLET COMMERCIAL FISHING ANNOUNCEMENT No. 25**  
**EMERGENCY ORDER NUMBER 2S-24-12**

Upper Cook Inlet Commercial Fishing Announcement No. 25 opens drift gillnetting in Drift Gillnet Area 1 and Drift Gillnet Area 2 on Thursday, July 26, 2012, from 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m.

Drift Gillnet Area 2 is described in 5 AAC 21.353 as those waters of the Central District enclosed by a line from 60° 20.43' N. lat., 151° 54.83' W. long. to a point at 60° 41.08' N. lat., 151° 39.00' W. long. to a point at 60° 41.08' N. lat., 151° 24.00' W. long. to a point at 60° 27.10' N. lat., 151° 25.70' W. long. to a point at 60° 20.43' N. lat., 151° 28.55' W. long (see map on page 2 of this announcement).

Fishing in Drift Gillnet Area 1 and Area 2 is intended to harvest Kenai and Kasilof river sockeye salmon stocks, while minimizing the harvest of northern-bound sockeye and coho salmon stocks.

The escapement rate of sockeye salmon into the Kenai and Kasilof Rivers is proceeding at a rate greater than that needed to assure optimum escapement levels. In order to reduce the rate of escapement, additional fishing time in the area described above is warranted.

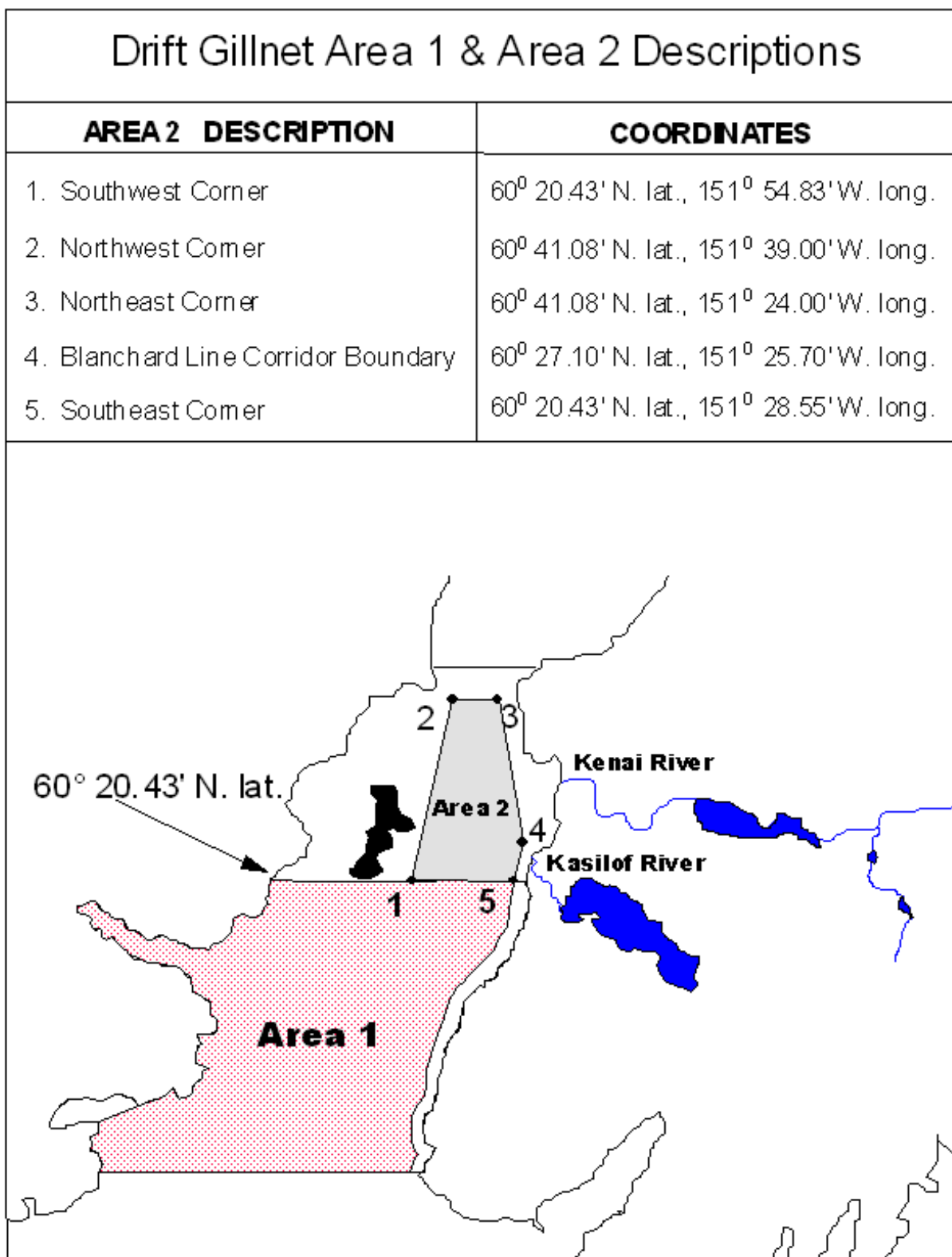


Figure 1. Map of Drift Gillnet Area 1 and Drift Gillnet Area 2.